

VICTORY BY A POINT

Spaulding High Defeated Goddard at Basket Ball

AMID A PANDEMONIUM

Grigg Followed up His Fine Work by Dropping in a Free Throw in Last Few Seconds, Giving Game to High School, 22 to 21.

Spaulding high school defeated Goddard seminary at basket ball in the Church street gymnasium last evening, 22 to 21, and gained the aim for which it has been earnestly striving many years past. Particularly in the past three or four years, Spaulding has been a worthy rival of the seminary, and the games each winter between the schools have always been the feature of the basket ball season.

For a close score from start to finish and fast hard playing the game last evening eclipsed anything seen in the basket ball line in Barre. The score was tied up during every one of the three periods played and the victory was not won until the very last few seconds of the game, when, with the score 21 to 21, Grigg of Spaulding caged a basket on a free throw from the foul line, which was enough to win the game and to let loose a pandemonium on the side of the hall occupied by the high school rooters.

All the space that was available in the hall was taken up, the friends of the two schools taking opposite sides of the floor. The students from both schools came "plugged" to the limit with new songs and old songs, new yells and old yells, which they sang and yelled in rivalry to each other.

The clever work of Grigg at shooting baskets from fouls throughout the game is what kept Spaulding ahead in the score. He showed a very cool nerve under very trying conditions, and caged 14 baskets from the foul line out of 21 chances. Spaulding of Goddard was not in his usual form at throwing fouls, and he only caged 7 out of 14 chances. Just before Grigg tossed through the loop the basket that won the game, Spaulding of Goddard had a chance to cage a basket from the foul line, which, if he had made good, would have placed Goddard one point ahead at that time, and the game would have ended in a tie. Goddard threw more baskets from the floor than the high school, which only made 4 to the seminary's 7.

How They Scored.

At the end of the first period, Goddard led in the score, 10 to 9, but in the second the high school gained 10 points to Goddard's 5, which put Spaulding four points in the lead, the score being 19 to 15. In the last period, Goddard gained six points on two baskets from the floor and two on fouls, but Grigg's three fouls were just enough to win out by one point. Averill was the only Spaulding player to score besides Grigg, and he threw two baskets from the floor in the first period.

Every member of the Goddard team scored a basket from the floor, except Chappel. Richardson caged two good baskets, one in the first period and the other in the last period, which tied the score just two minutes before the game ended. Moore and Cooby each got a basket in the first period and Spaulding made one in all three periods.

The Spaulding team and the whole school shouted themselves hoarse over their victory, and to further announce

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NEVER IN DOUBT.

Company F of Northfield Easily Defeated Company H, 24 to 13.

In the Montpelier armory last night, Company F of Northfield defeated Company H of Montpelier at basket ball by the score of 24 to 13, there being no doubt of the result during the entire game. VerWeibe of the visiting team starred, while Spaulding of Company H was good. The line-up: Co. H, Spaulding, 1 f.; Carpenter, DeCollins, 1 f.; Schlenger, Wilkinson, 2 f.; VerWeibe, Paine, 2 f.; Godfrey, Crapo, 1 f.; Co. F, Spaulding, 1 f.; Carpenter, DeCollins, 1 f.; Schlenger, Wilkinson, 2 f.; VerWeibe, Paine, 2 f.; Godfrey, Crapo, 1 f. Baskets, VerWeibe 6, Hill 4, Carpenter 4, Godfrey, Spaulding 4, DeCollins 2; baskets from fouls, Wilkinson, VerWeibe 2; referee, Rogers; umpire Woods; time, two 20-minute periods.

YALE'S FENCE RUSH.

Sophomores and Freshmen in Annual Mixup.

New Haven, Feb. 23.—Yale sophomores and freshmen had a novel setting for their annual scrap yesterday in the shape of a pouring rain. The classes clashed in what has been a snow fight with a rush for the fences. In the morning it was turned into a fence rush with certain features which were emphasized too much to suit the faculty scouts, who sized it up from a safe distance on the side walls. The judges think the freshmen won, but the rush wound up in such a mass that the officers in charge will hold a meeting to hear a protest by the sophomores.

The classes formed in battle phalanx as soon as the morning chapel exercises were over. The sophomores were antiquated high hats and carried bamboo canes. The freshmen wore the oldest clothes they could dig out of their dormitory closets. They outnumbered the sophomores nearly two to one.

Rector Really Out For Good.

Recently reports were sent out that Jim Rector, the former sensational sprinter of the University of Virginia, who had announced his retirement from the game early last year, would once more don the spike shoe and try to show his heels to his rivals. Such is not the case, however, for Rector has informed the athletic world that he is through with the game forever and will in the future practice law in



JIM RECTOR.

St. Louis, where he now resides. In 1907 Rector ran a hundred yards in nine and two-fifths seconds and ran the distance several times in nine and three-fifths seconds. He accompanied the American team to London to compete in the Olympic games in 1908. Rector was picked to win the hundred yard event, but was beaten a few inches by Reggie Walker, the South African speed marvel.

COMING SPORT EVENTS

The national amateur boxing championships will be held in Boston early in April.

The flag to flag automobile contest from Denver to the City of Mexico will start from Denver May 1.

Herrero, the South African, and Gardner of London, the two latest long distance runners to turn professional, will meet in a match race to be held in London the latter part of March.

IS CHAMPION OF THE WORLD

Wolgast Defeated Battling Nelson in 40th Round

WHEN REFEREE STEPPED IN

Nelson Was Not Knocked out, But He Was in Such Terrible Shape That He Could Not Have Gone the Limit.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 23.—Ad Wolgast of Milwaukee made pugilistic history here yesterday afternoon by defeating the redoubtable Battling Nelson in one of the hardest fought contests seen in this country in over two decades. Wolgast is now the lightweight champion of the world, and the Dane merely



AD WOLGAST.
World's Lightweight Champion.

an ex-champion, who clearly and decisively demonstrated that the old adage of the pitcher going to the well too often still holds good, even in pugilism.

Nelson was not knocked out, but he was so near it that the intervention of the referee in the 40th round was as wise as it was humane. The encounter was originally scheduled for 45 rounds, but it surely could not have gone the limit, owing to Nelson's battered condition. The one-time peerless battler presented a pathetic sight. His face was a mass of cuts and bruises, his right eye was closed and blood streamed down his cheeks and covered his body.

Nelson fought with the same gameness and spirit that has characterized all of his fights. He was the same old game battler when it came to rushing and assimilating punishment. However, the old sting to his blows was lacking, for only once during the encounter was Nelson able to put Wolgast down.

From the 30th round until the end, Nelson's star seemed to have set. He began to decline from the first. His leads were weak and he could not see in order to land. It was the beginning of the end, and when the sports realized that a new champion was in sight, the odds quickly shifted to even money.

The contest was witnessed by a large crowd.

SOMERVILLE TAKES ANOTHER MATCH

Threw "the Human Eel" at Rutland Last Night—Dante Rossi of Barre Won His Match Also.

Rutland, Feb. 23.—Bob Somerville defeated Bob White of Hudson, Mass., "the human eel," here last night in one of the fastest wrestling bouts of the season, winning two straight falls. He got the first fall in 25 minutes, with a body scissors and bar Nelson hold, and he took the second fall in 27 minutes and 17 seconds with a body scissors and waist lock, following a beautiful giant swing. White tried the giant swing on Somerville just before the first fall, but it came to work the wrong way.

Dante Rossi of Barre and Lloyd Sammon of this city appeared in a preliminary wrestling bout, the Barre man winning two straight falls in five and eight minutes, respectively. William Lamkins, colored, and J. L. Whitney, both of this city, also appeared in a three-round sparring bout, the negro having the best of the argument.

It was announced that Somerville and Hanson of Burlington will probably meet one week from Thursday night at catch weights, Hanson agreeing to throw Somerville twice in an hour. He will have the advantage in weight of over 15 pounds. It has not been decided where the bout will be held.

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JEFF READY TO START WORK

Will Begin Training in Hot Springs Early in March—Is Worried Over His Wind.

Since Jim Jeffries announced that he would start training for his coming contest with Jack Johnson the first week in March the big fellow has been receiving hundreds of letters daily from the fight experts and fans offering all kinds of suggestions as to how he should prepare for the coming mill and some advice as to how he should fight the negro. As Jeff has his own ideas as to how he should train for the coming mill, all the suggestions will go for naught.

Jeffries has announced time and again that he will devote most of his time to outdoor work so his wind may be as good as it ever was. He figures that will his bellows in good shape he will have very little difficulty in disposing of Johnson. While Jeff thinks this is O. K., still there is another thing just as important. That is for the big fellow to select a staff of husky young pugilists, not old timers, to fight, not box, with him, men that will try hard to sneak over a knock-out wallop. He should engage in one of these real scraps twice a week. Then in a short time he would know whether his judge of distance is as good as ever. In justice to the people who are going to bet on him in the coming fight Jeff should do this. These men want to bet on James J., but they don't want to bet blindly. They want to know whether he is "there."

A man may train with the strength of a bull and the endurance of a Marathoner, but training isn't fighting—not by a long chalk. One round of real fighting sometimes takes more grip out of a man than a half a day's hard work in the gymnasium. It's the nervous strain that does it.

When old John L. Sullivan turned up in New Orleans to train for Jim Corbett a bunch of prominent sporting men filled the gymnasium to see him begin training. Old John was fat; there was no getting away from that. But, fat as he was, there was one thing which he could do—he could skip the rope as nimbly as any other big man, and it did not seem to affect his wind.

John performed a few stunts, took hold of the waistband of his trousers and hauled in about a foot of slack, and that was enough for the wise boys. They went out and offered three and four to one that John L. would lick the youth Corbett. If a Corbett man turned up with any money they matched for him.

Jimmy Britt never showed more power of endurance than in his training for the Colma fight with Bat Nelson. Britt was also a rope skipper, punched the bag and slugged with his sparring partners for about two hours every afternoon, and such a gnat was he for work that he did not take the usual rest of one minute between rounds, but shadow boxed or maulled a heavy bag while the trainers were resting. He seemed to be able to last from noon till midnight, and he might have been able had he played his own game and boxed with Nelson instead of standing up in the sixth round to slug it out then and there.

At the end of that terrific three minutes both men were very tired, and Britt reeled to his corner, gasping for breath.

"I'm awful tired," he said. All his weeks of hard work, all his training for stamina and endurance, left him weak and shaky after three minutes of real fighting. The provisions of the articles of agreement will prevent him from engaging in public battles, but there is no reason why he should not take on some tough fellows and fight them to a finish in private. He will get nothing of assistance to him in boxing with a clever man. What he needs is real fighting. If Stanley Ketchel had trained for his second O'Brien fight by trying to pick up cleverness O'Brien would have outpointed him, because that is O'Brien's game.

Jeff will probably have the greatest all star training quarter staff in history, and seven or eight good cooks will always scramble the eggs and scorch the soap.

What Jeff needs is big, tough men who will stand up and try to knock his head off his shoulders. To win this fight he has got to perfect a system of rushing in with both hands and flailing away until he lands one good wallop, just as Stanley Ketchel went after O'Brien.

It isn't going to be brain which will lick Johnson so much as brawn and the wallop.

Jockey Doggett to Ride Again.

Sam Doggett, who, after being out of the saddle for several seasons, took out a license to ride at the last meeting of the board of stewards of the Eastern Jockey club, held in New York, will spend the season of 1919 in Buenos Aires. He secured the license that he might be properly accredited in the South American republic, and he will ride there.

It is rumored that B. C. Hildreth will send a string of horses to the racing in South America has been attracting several of the horsemen of the United States, and before the close of the 1909 season Hildreth intimated that he would try his luck at Buenos Aires. His string is of such proportions and excellence that it could very well be divided, and he would not have to cripple his chances closer at home by sending a formidable lot to South America.

EX-CUE CHAMPS STILL BUSY.

Houston and Demarest Want Another Chance to Win Back Titles.

Undaunted by the loss of their titles, Caio Demarest, who relinquished his 182 billiard title when he was beaten by Harry Cline of Philadelphia, and Thomas Houston, who lost his pool championship to Jerome Keogh, are preparing for new worlds to conquer.

Houston is going out for the three cushion billiard title now held by Fred Eames of Denver, and Demarest expects to regain his title before many months. Both players lost their titles recently.

Houston will play all comers in New York in preparation for his match with Eames. He confidently expected he would be able to defend his pool championship against Keogh and capture the three cushion title as well, but now that he has lost his title he has determined to gain another in a new field.



TOMMY HUSTON, WHO WILL PLAY EAMES IN MARCH.

Keogh has been a popular man with challengers. Charles Weston of Chicago, known as "the cowboy," will have the first chance at the new champion. His challenge has been accepted, and the match will be played in either Buffalo or Rochester in March. Houston will challenge the winner and expects to have back his title by next May.

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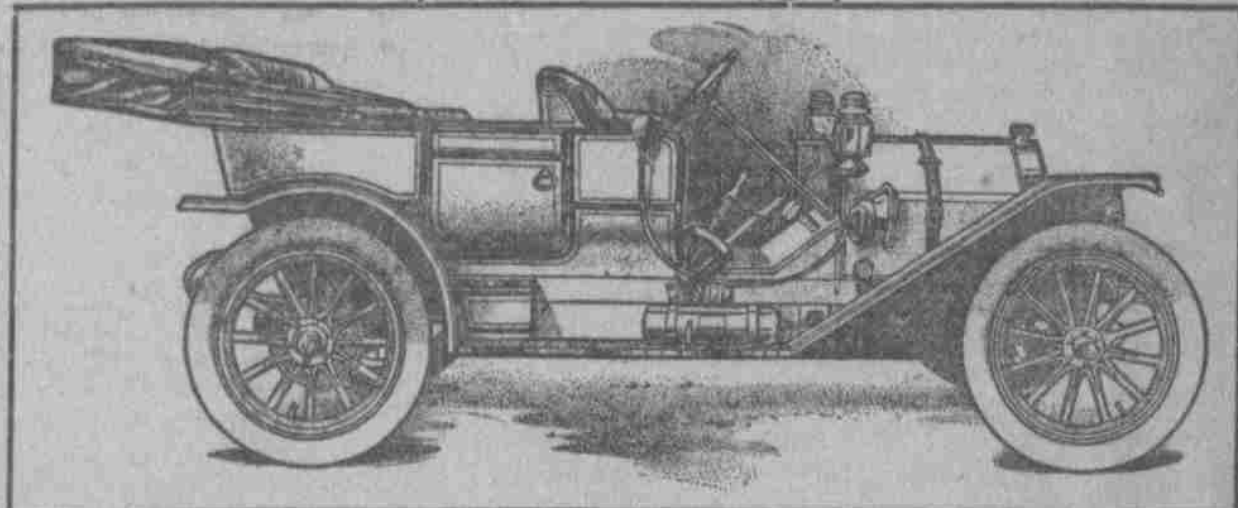
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